

April 1, 2018



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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## The Last Supper

### Maundy Thursday, March 29

Exodus 12:1-14; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35

#### Maundy Thursday Communion + Tenebrae Service

**6:00 PM:** We begin with a reenactment of the Last Supper in the Fellowship Hall, then proceed upstairs to the Sanctuary for the Tenebrae/Good Friday Service with scripture and the extinguishing of the candles into darkness, recreating the emotional aspects of the passion story.

**NO Praise Band rehearsal**



## The Crucifixion

### Good Friday, March 30

Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42



#### Good Friday Service

##### Seven Last Words of Christ

**12:00 Noon:** Grace Presbyterian Church, 218 Fayette Street. Join us for a powerful service commemorating Good Friday. This year's speakers are Rev. Tyler C. Millner, Rev. Ken Davis, Rev. Mark Hinchcliff, Minister Laetitia Wells, Rev. Mable Finney, Lady Lealice

Hagwood, and Rev. Bob Button. [www.facebook.com/events/199743770614956/](http://www.facebook.com/events/199743770614956/)

### Holy Saturday, March 31

Job 14:1-14 or Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24; Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16; 1 Peter 4:1-8; Matthew 27:57-66 or John 19:38-42

#### Facilities Work Session, 9:30–11:00 AM

Come help the Facilities Committee get the church grounds ready for Easter! But, why keep all the fun to ourselves? Please bring friends and family! We will be concentrating on sprucing up outside with raking (and blowing) leaves, leaf and twig pickup, pruning, etc. Bring your favorite tool and pitch in! Or just show up—I'm sure we'll have extras



of everything. Also, bring a water bottle. Contact Denny Casey (632-8306, [d.a.casey@comcast.net](mailto:d.a.casey@comcast.net)) for more information.

## The Resurrection

### Easter Sunday, April 1

*Unlock:* Johnny Pinkard

#### **Easter Sunrise Service, 7:00**

**AM**, at Lake Lanier, off Root Trail, with communion. Greet the Risen Christ with the dawn!

#### **NO 8:30 service**

**Easter Breakfast, 9:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited!

#### **Sunday School, 10:00 AM**

**Easter Egg Hunt, 10:15 AM**, for children on the playground (indoors if inclement weather)

#### **Easter Worship with Communion, 11:00 AM**, Sanctuary

*Ushers:* Dennis Casey, Billy Kirby, Rob King, Buck Flythe

*Liturgist:* Peter Marshall

*Communion Servers:* Pearl Minter, Lang Mauck, Monica Stevens, Joe DeVault, Jerri DeVault, Darla Main-Schneider, Smith Chaney

*Communion Prep/Clean-up team:* Ferguson

*Lock up:* Monty Montgomery



For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God...For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

1 Corinthians 1:18 & 25 NIV

*Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary. Children's Worship is offered for age 4 through 2nd grade during the 11:00 service after the Time with Young Disciples.*

### **The Service for the Lord's Day, April 1, 2018**

#### ***Resurrection Sunday/Easter***

Scripture Lessons

**John 20:1-8, Psalm 118:14-21, Acts 10:34-43**

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

**"Who Are You Looking For?"**

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

**Isaiah 25:6-9; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Mark 16:1-8**

Full text of lectionary readings

[lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=85](http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=85)

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/>

## Next Week at FPC

### **Easter Monday, April 2**

**Church office closed**

**Presbyterian Women** will meet **April 9** at 10:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

**NO GPS**, Spring Break

### **Tuesday, April 3**

**Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM**, Marge Dunn Kitchen. Volunteers are needed to prepare and package meals for those in need. Chefs are Janet Fentress and Ashby Pinkard. Contact Judy Ware ([je\\_ware@yahoo.com](mailto:je_ware@yahoo.com)) for more information.

**Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM**. Please email information to Gael Chaney, [steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org](mailto:steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org).

### **COOKS WHO CARE**



### **Wednesday, April 4**

**Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM**, Handbell Room

**Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM**, Choir Room. New singers are welcome to join!

### **Thursday, April 5**

**Praise Band, 7:00 PM**, Chapel

### **Sunday, April 8**

*Unlock/Lock up*: Neil Tatum/Milt Davis

**Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM**, Chapel

**Fellowship & Refreshments, 9:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall

**Sunday School, 9:45 AM**, Children 4 yrs-2nd grade, Room 11-12 under the Sanctuary; Adult class, Session Room (Room 134, upper level)

**Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM**, Choir Room, warm-up before service

**Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM**, Sanctuary

*Ushers*: Monty Montgomery, David Garland, Bill Manning, Dru Rothrock

*Liturgist*: Milt Davis

For a complete calendar of what's happening at FPC Martinsville, visit our website: [www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/calendar.cfm](http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/calendar.cfm).

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### **Pastor's Corner**

#### **Walking in God's Light**

*This is the message we have heard from Him and declare to you: God is light; in Him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with Him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin. I John 1:5-7*

Easter morning, that first burst of light that we celebrate as the victory of the Resurrection, reminds us that a life in Christ does not end in darkness! Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

When you walk with Jesus, you walk in the light that allows us to see where we're going. Without the light of God, your life is merely a guess. Walking in the light results in two important relationships. First, the fellowship with one another, or a right relationship with our family and friends. Second, when we walk with Jesus, His light purifies us from sin and restores a right



relationship with God!

So, this Easter let us be reminded, regardless of the weather, it's not just another Sunday. It's Son Day! May the light of God envelope your living now and forever more!

**Pastor Mark**



### **Presbyterian Women**

#### **Circle Meeting & Spring Gathering**

**Monday, April 9, 10:30 AM**

The April Circle meeting has been moved to the second Monday due to the Easter Monday holiday. All women are invited for this time of fellowship, refreshments, and Bible study.

**Sunday, April 15, 2:30 PM**

Women of the Piedmont, Hill Cities, and Southside Neighborhoods, which includes our church, will meet at Holbrook Street Presbyterian Church (353 Holbrook Street, Danville). Registration with light refreshments will occur from 2:30-3:00 PM, with the formal gathering convening at 3:00. The gathering includes a brief devotional, a memorial service for those women who died in 2017, some announcements about upcoming events, and the receiving of a monetary offering to benefit Peacework in its efforts to combat human trafficking.



After this, time will be available for a hands-on mission project. Everyone is encouraged to bring items to fill hygiene bags that will be given to the Salvation Army: Bath size wrapped bars of soap, Razors, Combs, Shaving Cream, Deodorant, Toothbrushes (in individual wrapper), Dental Floss, Toothpaste, Hand towels (16" x 28"), Wash Cloths (Regular size, not travel size, items are requested).

Attendees will have the opportunity to bid on a "Pamper Yourself" basket in a silent auction, with the proceeds being used toward the scholarship(s) for the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic PW Summer Gathering at Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center. The Spring Neighborhood Gathering will provide worship, information, fun, and fellowship for all in attendance, so please plan to join us!!



## Looking Ahead

### Congregational Meeting

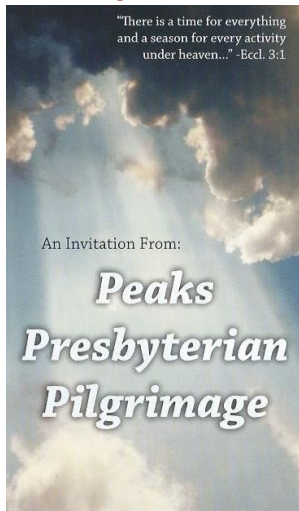
**Sunday, April 15, 12:00 Noon** (at the end of the 11:00 service). There will be a brief congregational meeting to receive a nomination to fill an unexpired term for elder in the class of 2019. The nominating committee will put forward Susan Pilsen. If anyone wishes to make a nomination from the floor, they must have prior consent of the person being nominated.

### Prayer Shawl Dedication

**Sunday, April 22, 11:00** worship service. The Prayer Shawl Ministry will present shawls to be dedicated. After the service, they will be available to take to anyone who needs some comfort.

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## At Camp Hat Creek



### Peaks Presbyterian Pilgrimage

**April 19-22**

Peaks Presbyterian Pilgrimage is a three-day "faith walk" offering the opportunity to explore your personal journey with Jesus Christ. This weekend offers a time to be away from the worldly routine, to reflect on your journey with Christ, to renew your faith in God's goodness, to allow the Holy Spirit to revitalize your work in the Kingdom, and to bask in God's abundant grace. Pilgrimage is a lay-lead mission with Presbyterian clergy as spiritual guides. Please contact Marina Gopadze (540-580-6810, [gopadze@gmail.com](mailto:gopadze@gmail.com)) with any questions or to discuss attending the next weekend.

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### Prayer Requests

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Sonny and Sue Benfield, Marilyn Bremner (S. Ford), Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, Grant Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Bud Buffkin, Elaine Button, Ruth Chaney (Smith's mother), Evelyn Clark, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Janet Cox, Sandra Bryson Cox, Gary Francisco (Shanna King's father), Jean Hill, Jeannie Hinchie (D. Bryson), Dr. Caleb Hundley & Haiti mission team (Dr. Chuck Marshall's grandson), Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Bailey Osborne (B. Lawson), Ed Pace, Amy Bryson Peck, Anne Peterson, Barbara Regen, Betty and Gene Stanley, Jane Townsend, Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), Devin and Thomas Woronowicz (B. Lawson), Elizabeth Wotring, persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.



### Presbytery Prayer Focus

- **The South Central Parish**, made up of **Brookneal, Phenix** and **Roanoke** (in Brookneal) **Presbyterian Churches**, led by **Rev. Herndon Jeffreys**
- **First Martinsville**, led by **Rev. Mark Hinchcliff**
- **First Lynchburg**, led by **Rev. Peter Thompson**
- **John Erb**, chair of the presbytery Nominating Committee and Clerk of Session at Altavista Presbyterian Church

Please submit prayer requests to Rita in the church office (276-632-3431, [office@fpcmartinsvilleva.org](mailto:office@fpcmartinsvilleva.org)).

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### ***Please remember***

#### **Hamburger Helper for Grace Network**



Our assignment for Grace Network's food pantry for April, May and June is boxed **Hamburger Helper**-type meals (also chicken or tuna helper). Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, feminine products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper are also distributed to food pantry clients. These personal care and household items are also needed at the SSRC shelter (former Rainbow House/CAFV). Boxes for donations to both ministries are in the church hallways.

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### ***Our Mission***

***Share God's Love, Embrace Our Neighbors, Nurture Each Other***

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FPC online directory: [members.instantchurchdirectory.com/](http://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/)

FPC Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA](https://www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA)

Presbytery of the Peaks: [www.peakspresbytery.org/](http://www.peakspresbytery.org/)

Presbyterian Church (USA): [www.pcusa.org/](http://www.pcusa.org/)

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Monica Stevens: Christian Education

#### **Class of 2019**

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Teri Ferguson: Worship

#### **Class of 2020**

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2019: Reed Moore, Ralph Shank

2020: Milton Davis, Duke Ferrell